Lake County Juvenile Court

Judge Karen Lawson

In 1975, the Lake County Juvenile Court established Educational Services. Its purpose is to serve probationers who have been suspended or expelled from school and have inadequate home supervision. Juveniles are assigned to the school by disposition from the Court, Probation Review Board or probation officer referral.

The aim of the Educational Services Department is to give students a positive alternative to the traditional learning environments. Students' lengths of stay vary from one day up to ninety days. Every attempt is made to present material based on individual learning levels. Students are permitted to work independently if school assignments are furnished by their own schools or work on computers for those enrolled in online learning programs. Subject areas covered in the program are, but not limited to, math, reading, current events and health issues. All programs are co-educational and ages range from twelve to seventeen. Juveniles are required to bring their homework with them and have a teacher and other Court staff available to assist them. Those enrolled in online classes have laptop computers available to access their work.